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Docket No. 1232-5167

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Shin-Ichiro YAKITA, et al.

Group Art Unit: 2873

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Examiner: D. Spector

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For: ZOOM LENS CONTROL APPARATUS, ZOOM LENS SYSTEM AND IMAGE-TAKING SYSTEM

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
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Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please enter this Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) was filed on June 6, 2005. An Information Disclosure Statement is being filed concurrently herewith

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.